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DONNA L. SOTO, ADMINISTRATRIX :
OF THE ESTATE OF : COMPLEX LITIGATION
VICTORIA L. SOTO, ET AL : DOCKET
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V. : AT WATERBURY
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BUSHMASTER FIREARMS :
INTERNATIONAL, LLC, ET AL : JULY 20, 2021

**MOTION FOR COMMISSION TO TAKE OUT-OF-STATE DEPOSITION OF
FORMER REMINGTON OWNER CERBERUS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT**

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §§ 52-148a(a), 52-148c(b) and Practice Book §§ 13-26, 13-28, the plaintiffs hereby move the Court to grant the plaintiffs’ motion to commission Attorney Christopher Boehning of New York, New York, to issue subpoenas duces tecum commanding the records keeper of Cerberus Capital Management (“Cerberus”), to produce documents and to appear for a deposition to be taken by the plaintiffs’ counsel before a certified court reporter or other person authorized under the laws of the State of New York to administer an oath.

Said deposition shall take place as provided in the attached proposed Subpoenas Duces Tecum, Exhibit A, with the date to be set based on the timing of this motion and when service of such subpoena can be made.

I. Legal Standard

The Practice Book provides that discovery “shall be permitted” whenever it is “material to the subject matter involved in the pending action,” “would be of assistance in the prosecution or defense of the action,” or is “reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.” P.B. § 13-2. This provision “liberally permits discovery of information material to the subject matter involved in the pending action.” *Lougee v. Grinnell*, 216 Conn. 483, 489

(1990), *overruled in part on other grounds by State v. Salmon*, 250 Conn. 147, 154–55 (1999) (internal quotations omitted). Under this standard, a plaintiff is entitled to “take the testimony of any person . . . by deposition upon oral examination,” P.B. § 13-26, and to the “discovery of information” and “disclosure, production and inspection of papers, books, documents and electronically stored information,” so long as the testimony and information are material to the action or would assist in its prosecution, P.B. § 13-2.

This legal standard is applicable to witnesses that reside outside of Connecticut: Both P.B. § 13-28 and General Statutes § 52-148c create a mechanism¹ by which a party can apply to the Connecticut court for a commission to take the deposition of an out-of-state witness. *See* P.B. § 13-28(a) (“In any other state . . . depositions for use in a civil action . . . within this state shall be taken before . . . a person commissioned by the court before which such action or proceeding is pending”); Conn. Gen. Stat. § 52–148c (same). The subpoena that is issued for the taking of the deposition may also command the deponent to “produce and permit inspection and copying of designated books, papers, documents or tangible things which constitute or contain matters within the scope of the examination[.]” P.B. § 13-28(c); *see also* Conn. Gen. Stat. § 52–148e (same).

“Once the commission is granted by the court in this state, a subpoena can be obtained in the proposed deponent's state to force the deponent to attend a deposition in his state.”

Struckman v. Burns, 205 Conn. 542, 552 (1987); *see also Millium v. New Milford Hosp.*, 310

¹ Connecticut is not among the 41 signatories of the Uniform Interstate Depositions and Discovery Act (UIDDA). *16:16, Foreign Discovery*, Trawick, FLA. PRAC. & PROC. § 16:16 (2019-2020 ed.); *see also, Interstate Depositions and Discovery Act*, UNIFORM LAW COMMISSION, <https://my.uniformlaws.org/committees/community-home?CommunityKey=181202a2-172d-46a1-8dcc-cdb495621d35> (last visited June 24, 2021).

Conn. 711, 719 n.7 (2013) (same); *Rhode v. Milla*, 287 Conn. 731, 743 (2008) (same); *Noll v. Hartford Roman Catholic Diocesan Corp.*, No. HHDX04CV024034702S, 2008 WL 4635591, at *2 (Conn. Super. Sept. 26, 2008) (Shapiro, J.) (same); *Cassinelli Bros. Const. Co. v. Gray*, No. CV 950142662S, 1996 WL 278330, at *1 (Conn. Super. May 9, 1996) (Hickey, J.) (same).

II. Cerberus Disrupted the Firearms Industry and Brought About a Fundamental Shift in the Marketing of Bushmaster Assault Rifles.

Cerberus, a Wall Street private-equity firm,² owned Remington Arms Company, LLC (“Remington”) from May 2007³ until Remington’s 2020 bankruptcy. As described below, in the six years leading up to the Sandy Hook shooting, Cerberus systematically consolidated ownership of some of the biggest players in the firearms industry into what would become Remington Outdoor Company, Inc. (“Remington Outdoor”). Cerberus owned and controlled Remington and Bushmaster Firearms International (“Bushmaster”) at the time that the weapon used in the Sandy Hook shooting was marketed and sold.⁴ Cerberus also owned and controlled both companies during the years leading up to the shooting when the marketing strategy for the AR-15 was developed.⁵

With sparse discovery having been disclosed, the plaintiffs still lack critical details about how corporate leadership, marketing and design, and compliance functions evolved during this period. But what is apparent from the limited discovery the plaintiffs have received as well as

² Cerberus currently manages around \$53 billion in assets. Cerberus Capital Management Homepage, <https://www.cerberus.com/> (last visited June 24, 2021).

³ See Freedom Group, Inc. Amend. No. 4 (Form S-1) at F-22 (May 17, 2010).

⁴ See Joe Nocera, *A Billionaire, a Gunmaker and Newtown*, THE HARTFORD COURANT (Mar. 15, 2018), <https://www.courant.com/opinion/hc-op-newtown-legacy-on-cerberus-gunmaker-20180314-story.html>.

⁵ *Id.*

open source research, is that Cerberus' acquisition of these key firearms brands coincided with a profound shift in how these subsidiary companies marketed their products.

a. Cerberus Systematically Acquired Remington, Bushmaster, and Other Firearms Brands.

Prior to 2006, the gun industry was composed of mostly privately-owned companies that specialized in small niches of firearms⁶:

- New Haven-based Marlin Firearms (“Marlin”) specialized in lever-action rifles;⁷
- Remington Arms, founded in 1816 as the family-owned “Remington and Sons” in Ilion, New York, specialized in the production of shotguns and rifles;⁸
- Bushmaster, established in 1973 in Wyndham, Maine, “introduce[d] [assault rifles] to the consumer market”;⁹ and
- Defense Procurement Manufacturing Services Panther Arms (“DPMS”), founded in Minnesota in 1985, specialized in the production of “affordable accessories and components for assault rifles.”¹⁰

This changed in 2006, when Cerberus began procuring firearm companies through its subsidiary, Freedom Group International (“FGI,” formerly “American Heritage Arms”). It started with two large acquisitions: (1) the purchase of Bushmaster in April 2006,¹¹ and (2) the

⁶ Josh Harkinson, *Fully Loaded: Inside the Shadowy World of America’s Biggest Gunmakers*, MOTHER JONES (June 14, 2016), <https://www.motherjones.com/politics/2016/06/fully-loaded-ten-biggest-gun-manufacturers-america/> (“While the three largest [firearms industry manufactures] disclose some financials, the rest are privately held.”).

⁷ Rhian Hunt, *Ruger Completes Marlin Firearms Acquisition*, NASDAQ (Nov. 24, 2020), <https://www.nasdaq.com/articles/ruger-completes-marlin-firearms-acquisition-2020-11-25>.

⁸ Ex. B, RACI Holdings, Annual Report (Form 10-K), at 3 (Mar. 8, 2002).

⁹ Frank Smyth, *The Gun at the Heart of the Assault Weapons Debate*, MSNBC (Jan. 30, 2013, 10:34 AM), <https://www.msnbc.com/msnbc/the-gun-the-heart-the-assault-weapons-d-msna-18335>.

¹⁰ AMMO, Inc., Ex.-99.1 to Current Report (Form 8-K) (Nov. 17, 2017), <https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1015383/000107997317000688/ex99x1.htm> (“Previously, Mr. Luth founded DPMS Panther Arms in 1986 and led the company to become one of the leading manufacturers of AR-15/AR-10 firearms and firearm components in the world.”).

¹¹ See Freedom Grp., Inc., Amend. No. 4 to Registration Statement (Form S-1/A), at 3 (May 17, 2010),

purchase of Remington Firearms in May 2007¹². Within eight months, FGI additionally absorbed DPMS,¹³ Marlin,¹⁴ and Marlin’s subsidiary, H&R 1871 LLC (“H&R”), into its family of brands.¹⁵ Cerberus, through FGI, continued acquiring firearms brands, using capital from the surge in gun sales that accompanied the election of President Barack Obama.¹⁶ In 2009 alone, FGI added Dakota Arms, S&K Industries, Advanced Armament Corp, and Barnes Bullets to its portfolio.¹⁷ By 2010, FGI’s “Family of Companies” was the largest firearms manufacturer in the United States, and the largest dealer of assault rifles to civilians selling 1.2 million “long guns” during the twelve-month period ending on March 31, 2010, alone.¹⁸

In 2010, FGI and its subsidiary companies were reorganized: FGI created FGI Holding Company—a wholly-owned subsidiary of FGI—to house Remington Arms Brands;¹⁹ as of July 2011, Bushmaster, DPMS, Marlin, and H&R were merged into Remington, *see* Ex. D, REM 03201; and in October of 2012, FGI was renamed Remington Outdoor²⁰.

<https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/0001471597/000104746910005410/a2195644zs-1a.htm> (detailing purchase of Bushmaster Firearms International, LLC (“BFI”).

¹² *See id.* (detailing purchase of Remington Firearms International, LLC in May 2007).

¹³ *See id.*

¹⁴ *See id.*

¹⁵ *Id.*; *see also* Remington Arms Co., Inc., Current Report (Form 8-K), at 2 (Jan. 28, 2008), https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/916504/000116923208000340/d73422_8-k.htm.

¹⁶ *See, e.g.*, Kirk Johnson, *On Concerns Over Gun Control, Gun Sales Are Up*, N.Y. TIMES (Nov. 6, 2008), <https://www.nytimes.com/2008/11/07/us/07guns.html>; Gregor Aisch & Josh Keller, *What Happens After Calls for New Gun Restrictions? Sales Go Up*, N.Y. TIMES (June 13, 2016), <https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2015/12/10/us/gun-sales-terrorism-obama-restrictions.html>; *see also* Ex C, Freedom Group, Inc., Registration Statement (Form S-1) at 21 (Oct. 20, 2009) (“Demand for firearms and ammunition has increased significantly since late 2008, which we believe has been due in part to increased consumer uncertainty relating to new and potentially more restrictive legislation.”).

¹⁷ Freedom Grp., Inc., Amend. No. 4 to Registration Statement (Form S-1/A) at 10, 96–97 (May 17, 2010).

¹⁸ *Id.* at 1–2.

¹⁹ *Id.* at 10–11; Ex. D, REM 03201.

²⁰ Ex. E, Remington Outdoor Co., Inc., Annual Report (Form 10-K) at 2 (2015).

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b. Cerberus' Acquisition Transformed Bushmaster's Marketing Strategy to Drive the Market for Assault Rifles.

With Cerberus' acquisition came a fundamental shift in Bushmaster's marketing approach. The marketing practices of the firearms industry had previously reflected the small, niche positioning of its manufacturers: Marketing was conducted entirely in-house, often by just one individual. *See* Ex. H, Eliason Dep. at 32:22–33:12 (testifying that prior to the Cerberus acquisition, the “marketing” or “advertising department” of Bushmaster consisted of a single individual, responsible for both advertisements and catalogs, with no employees working under him); *see also id.* at 89:7–10 (attesting that the marketing department of “old Bushmaster” as “just one person that would handle getting catalogs printed and all that type of stuff that we had at the time”).

In 2007, after Cerberus' acquisition, Bushmaster's marketing department was “reconfigure[d],” and moved to North Carolina to be consolidated with Remington's marketing department. Eliason Dep. at 35:25–36:2. Under Remington's marketing department, sophisticated marketing and branding campaigns replaced the “basic” and “old-fashioned” marketing practices of “Old Bushmaster.” *Id.* at 103:2–16. High-budget marketing research and consumer segmentation analysis drove internet-based and social media marketing, *see id.* at

169:5–10, replacing Bushmaster’s prior reliance on the use of amateur photos in “flyers” to sell its products, *id.* at 89:11.

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III. A Deposition of the Cerberus Keeper of Records is Material, Would Assist in the Prosecution of the Action, and is Reasonably Calculated to Lead to the Discovery of Admissible Evidence.

A Records Keeper Deposition is necessary for authentication and production of documents, identified in Exhibit A, concerning Cerberus’ acquisition and management of the Remington Outdoor brands between January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2012. Plaintiffs anticipate that this deposition will also assist with plaintiffs’ future Cerberus witness depositions.

21 [REDACTED]

WHEREFORE, the plaintiffs respectfully request that its motion be granted and the Court issue the Commission attached hereto.

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EXHIBIT A

NO. X06 CV15 6050025 S	:	SUPERIOR COURT
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DONNA L. SOTO, ADMINISTRATRIX OF THE ESTATE OF VICTORIA L. SOTO, ET AL	:	COMPLEX LITIGATION DOCKET
	:	
V.	:	AT WATERBURY
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BUSHMASTER FIREARMS INTERNATIONAL, LLC, ET AL	:	JULY 20, 2021

SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM

Records Keeper and/or Person Most Knowledgeable of Cerberus’ Involvement in the Marketing of Remington’s Assault Rifles between January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2012.

You are commanded to appear on a date and time to be determined at 1285 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10019-6064, to testify at a deposition upon oral examination as a witness in the above-entitled action.

The deposition will take place before an officer authorized to administer oaths and will continue from day to day until completed. At the time of service, you will be tendered the fee for one day’s attendance and the mileage allowed by law, as required under N.Y. C.P.L.R. § 8001.

You are also commanded to bring with you the following described Documents, generated between January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2016:

- Organization charts and other Documents sufficient to identify the officers and employees of NSSF and the positions that each holds.
- All Writings generated by You concerning Cerberus’ acquisition of Remington.
- All Writings generated by You concerning Cerberus’ involvement with or oversight of any Marketing Campaign for Remington Assault Rifles or Advertisement for Remington Assault Rifles.
- All Writings generated by you concerning any Marketing Campaign for Remington Assault Rifles or any Advertisement for Remington Assault Rifles.
- All Writings between You and employees, agents, or affiliates of Remington concerning any Marketing Campaign for Remington Assault Rifles or any Advertisement for Remington Assault Rifles.
- All Writings between employees, agents, or affiliates of Cerberus concerning any Marketing Campaign for Remington Assault Rifles or Advertisement for Remington Assault Rifles.
- All Writings between You and employees, agents, or affiliates of the National Rifle Association (NRA) concerning any Marketing Campaign for Remington Assault Rifles or any Advertisement for Remington Assault Rifles .

- All Writings between You and employees, agents, or affiliates of the National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF) concerning any Marketing Campaign for Remington Assault Rifles or Advertisement for Remington Assault Rifles.
- All Writings between You and employees, agents, or affiliates of retailers or potential retailers of Remington Assault Rifles.
- All Writings between You and attorneys, government officers (state or federal), and/or compliance officers regarding the legality or ethical marketing of the Remington Assault Rifles.
- All Writings between You and websites, web developers, web hosts, forums, and/or blogs concerning any Marketing Campaign for Remington Assault Rifles or any Advertisement for Remington Assault Rifles .
- All web analytics or metrics collected by or provided to You related to any Marketing Campaign for Remington Assault Rifles or Advertisement for Remington Assault Rifles .

A. Instructions

1. In responding to this Subpoena Duces Tecum, you are required to furnish all Documents that are available to you, or that you may obtain by reasonable inquiry, including Documents in the possession of your attorneys, accountants, advisors or other persons directly or indirectly employed by, or connected with, you or your attorneys, or anyone else otherwise subject to your control.
2. If you object to the production of any of the Documents described above, then, in order to assist the court in ruling on your objection, with respect to each Document that you do not produce:
 - a. State the date and nature of the Document;
 - b. State the name of the person who wrote the Document and, if it is a letter, the person to whom it was addressed;
 - c. Describe the subject matter of the Document;
 - d. State the grounds of your objection; and
 - e. State the name, business and residence address, and telephone number of each person who has possession, custody, or control of the Document.

B. Definitions

1. "You" or "your" refers to Cerberus Capital Management and any of its employees, agents, or affiliates.
2. "Remington" refers to any firearms corporation, intermediary, subsidiary, manufacturer, distributor or brand owned in whole or in part at any time by Cerberus Capital Management, including but not limited to Freedom Group International, Freedom Group, FGI, FGI Holdings, FGI Holding Company, Remington, Remington Arms Brands, Remington Outdoor, and Bushmaster.
3. "Person" refers to any entity, including but not limited to any natural person, partnership, corporation, company, trust, estate, joint venture, or association of persons.
4. "Writing" or "Document" refers to any form of data compilation whether produced, reproduced, or stored on paper, cards, tapes, disks, hard drives, belts, charts, films, computer storage devices, or any other medium. "Writing" or "Document" shall include but not be limited to any letter, note, memorandum, article, book, published material,

computer file, report, study, statement, speech, notebook, application, calendar, working paper, manual, brochure, analysis, telegram, transcript, summary, diary, agreement, contract, diary, log, appointment book, spreadsheet, graph, drawing, chart, financial statement, bank statement, bank check, deposit slip, receipt, invoice, bookkeeping entry, photograph, photostat, microfilm, x-ray film, sound recording, motion picture, video tape, e-mail or any other type of mechanical, electronic, or magnetic impulse recording, and shall also include, but not be limited to, any draft or copy (with or without notes of changes thereon) of a writing or document.

5. "Assault Rifles" means (1) "assault rifle" as defined in CT Gen Stat §§ 53-202a(1)(B), (E), and (F) (2013), and/or (2) any firearm otherwise depicted or designated as an AR-15 type or AR-15 style, or M16 or M4 type or style rifle, or ACR (Adaptive Combat Rifle) type.
6. "Advertisement" means any attempt, other than by use of a price tag, to directly or indirectly induce the purchase or rental of merchandise at retail, appearing in any newspaper, magazine, periodical, catalog, circular, in-store or out-of-store sign or other written matter placed before the consuming public, or in any product placement, promotion, radio broadcast, television broadcast, electronic medium or delivered to or through any computer, including websites, Social Media, and video games.
7. "Marketing Campaign" refers to an effort to develop, maintain or expand the market of users and purchasers of Your products and includes, but is not limited to, the conception and formulation of the effort, the research conducted in furtherance of the effort, the investment in the effort, the means by which the effort was carried out, and the tracking of its effect and results.

"Social Media" means any social media platform or message board, including but not limited to, Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, Reddit, Tumblr, 4chan, Twitter, thefirearmblog.com, and AR-15.com.

Dated: _____

By:

PLEASE CONTACT ATTORNEY ALINOR C. STERLING AT 203-336-4421 UPON RECEIPT OF THIS SUBPOENA TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF YOUR DEPOSITION

HEREOF FAIL NOT, UNDER PENALTY OF THE LAW

To any proper officer or indifferent person to serve and return.

Dated at Bridgeport, Connecticut on the 20th day of July, 2021.



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EXHIBIT B

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K

(Mark One)

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission file number: 333-4520

RACI HOLDING, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 51-0350929
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or (I.R.S. Employer
organization) Identification No.)

870 Remington Drive
P.O. Box 700
Madison, North Carolina 27025-0700
(Address of principal executive offices)
(Zip Code)

(336) 548-8700

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: NONE

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: NONE

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports
required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of
1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the
registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to
such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item
405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to
the best of the registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information
statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any
amendment to this Form 10-K.

As of March 8, 2002, the registrant had outstanding 765,050 shares of
Class A Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share and 0 shares of Class B Common
Stock, par value \$.01 per share.

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PART I

Item 1. BUSINESS

RACI Holding, Inc. ("Holding") and its wholly-owned subsidiary Remington Arms Company, Inc. ("Remington"), are Delaware corporations organized in 1993 at the direction of Clayton, Dubilier & Rice, Inc. ("CD&R"), a private investment firm, to acquire (the "Acquisition") substantially all the assets and business of Sporting Goods Properties, Inc. ("Sporting Goods") as well as certain other assets of E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company ("DuPont" and together with Sporting Goods, the "Sellers") used in connection with the marketing of fishline and fishline accessories (such assets and business collectively, the "Business"). Unless the context otherwise requires, the term "Company" means Holding and its subsidiaries, including Remington.

Founded in 1816, the Company is engaged in the design, manufacture and sale of sporting goods products for the hunting/shooting sports and related markets. The Company's product lines consist of firearms, ammunition, fishline and hunting/gun care accessories sold under the Remington(R) name and other labels, fishing products sold under the Stren(R) and Remington(R) names and other labels and clay targets.

Certain market share and competitive position data contained in this report is based on the most recent data published by the National Sporting Goods Association ("NSGA"), American Sports Data, Inc. ("ASDI") and the National Sports Markets Research Group ("SMRG"). The Company believes that such data is inherently imprecise and may not accurately reflect the Company's market shares for more recent periods, but is generally indicative of its relative market share and competitive position.

The following sets forth the Company's sales for its aggregated operating segments for the periods shown (see Note 20 to the Company's consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2001 appearing elsewhere in this report):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2001	2000	1999
Hunting/Shooting Sports	\$ 340.3	\$ 345.1	\$ 354.0
Other (a)	42.8	43.6	49.1
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Total Sales	\$ 383.1	\$ 388.7	\$ 403.1
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(a) Consists of fishing products, accessories, clay targets and commercial powder metal product ("PMP") parts.

Hunting/Shooting Sports

Remington is the only domestic manufacturer of both firearms and ammunition. The Company enjoys a domestic market leadership position for many of its firearms product lines and is one of the three major manufacturers in the domestic ammunition market. According to ASDI in 2000, approximately 27 million people in the United States enjoy shooting sports, including approximately 17 million who hunt annually. Overall, the market for hunting-related products is a large, mature market that the Company believes generally will remain relatively flat, at least in the near future. Total domestic consumer expenditures in this market for hunting and firearms equipment, including ammunition in 2000 was estimated by NSGA to be approximately \$1.6 billion.

The Company believes that a number of trends currently exist that are potentially significant to the hunting/shooting sports market. First, the Company believes that the development of rural property in many locations has curtailed or eliminated access by hunters to private and public lands. However, the Company also believes that the number of private hunting facilities is increasing, as is the availability of alternatives to traditional hunting activities, such as sporting clays and shooting games that simulate hunting, and that these trends may help offset increasing restrictions on access and land use. Second, environmental issues, such as concern about lead in the environment, may also adversely affect the industry. See "--Environmental Matters." The Company has developed a line of shotshells that use steel shot and a new line of Premier(R) Hevi Shot(TM) that uses a tungsten-nickel-iron alloy instead of the industry standard lead shot. These shotshells are intended to reduce the amount of lead being introduced into the environment and to appeal not only to the shooter legally required to use steel shot, but also to the environmentally concerned

EXHIBIT C

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-1

REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

FREEDOM GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	3484 (Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code number)	26-0174491 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)
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**870 Remington Drive
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account, Wal-Mart. Our sales to Wal-Mart are generally not governed by a written long-term agreement. In the event that Wal-Mart significantly reduces or terminates its purchases of firearms and/or ammunition from us, our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows, could be adversely affected.

Wal-Mart, together with another customer, accounted for approximately 21% and 16% of our accounts receivable balance as of December 31, 2008 and as of June 30, 2009, respectively. This other customer, due to the timing of its purchasing, usually maintains significant amounts of accounts receivable at the end of our fiscal year. In the event that this customer incurs financial difficulty and is unable to pay its account in full, our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows could be adversely affected.

We have experienced a significant increase in demand for certain of our products since late 2008. There can be no assurance that this increased demand for certain firearms and ammunition will continue.

Demand for firearms and ammunition has increased significantly since late 2008, which we believe has been due in part to increased consumer uncertainty relating to new and potentially more restrictive legislation, and the increase of home defense spending in light of the global economic downturn. While we view this increase in demand as a significant long-term opportunity to expand our customer base and strengthen our customer relationships, there can be no assurance that this increased demand will continue or that demand will not decrease in the near or long-term. Any decrease in market demand for our products could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

We are dependent on a number of key suppliers. Loss of or damage to our relationships with these suppliers could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

To manufacture our various products, we use many raw materials, including steel, zinc, lead, brass, copper, plastics and wood, as well as manufactured parts purchased from independent manufacturers. An extended interruption in the supply of these or other raw materials or in the supply of suitable substitute materials would disrupt our operations, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Furthermore, we may incur additional costs in sourcing raw materials from alternative producers.

For a number of our raw materials, we rely on one or a few suppliers. Alternative sources, many of which are foreign, exist for each of these materials. We do not, however, currently have significant supply relationships with any of these alternative sources. We cannot estimate with any certainty the length of time that would be required to establish alternative supply relationships, or whether the quantity or quality of materials that could be so obtained would be sufficient.

In addition, we rely on a limited number of vendors to perform machining processes on key rifle components. Any disruption of the operations of one of our key vendors could materially impact our ability to obtain certain rifle components. In the event that we lose one of our principal vendors, we may not be able to find an alternative vendor in a timely fashion, and as a result, our ability to produce rifles could be materially and adversely affected.

We have been increasing the prices on certain of our products and shortening sales terms. These higher product selling prices coupled with reduced sales terms could limit sales, which could negatively impact our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

We have imposed price increases on our customers in an attempt to offset cost increases relating to materials and energy (including lead, copper, zinc, brass, steel and fuel) that we have experienced. We have also worked to reduce sales terms over the past several years related to certain working capital initiatives. These higher product prices and shorter sales terms could limit our sales in

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Legal Structure as of July 1, 2011

- Merged BFI, DPMS, Precision Arms, Marlin, and H&R into Remington
- Contributed Brands to FGI OpCo
- Converted HoldCo, OpCo and Remington to Limited Liability Companies

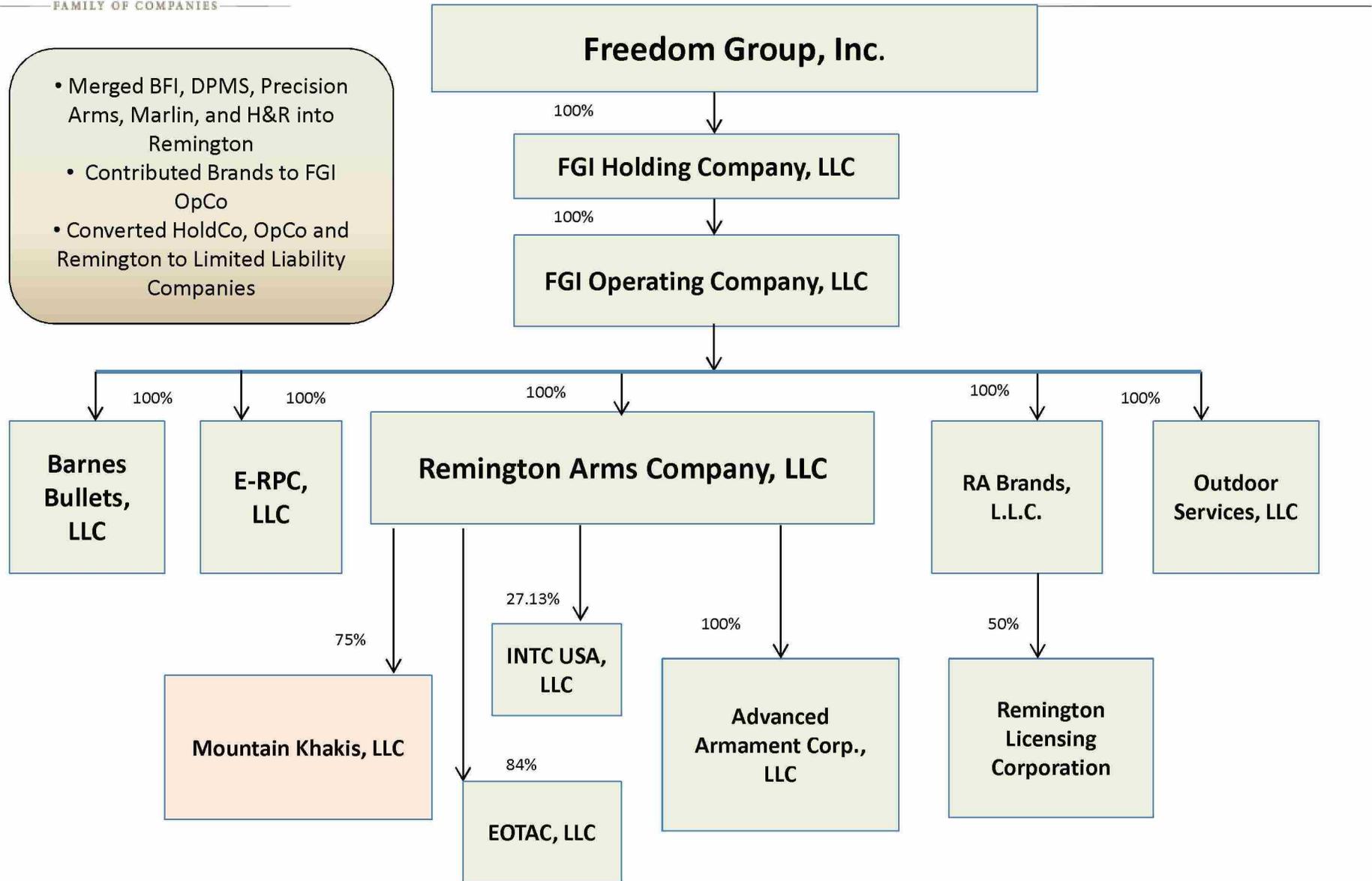


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ANNUAL REPORT

For the fiscal year-ended:

December 31, 2015



REMINGTON OUTDOOR COMPANY, INC.

(Exact name of company as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

870 Remington Drive

P.O. Box 1776

Madison, North Carolina 27025-1776

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(336) 548-8700

(Company's telephone number, including area code)

defense and recent rises in demand brought about by regulatory and legislative concerns, these markets have grown over the past five years.

We believe our scale and product breadth are unmatched within our industry. We are one of only two major U.S. companies that manufacture both firearms and ammunition, which we believe provides a competitive advantage, supports our market leadership position and adds a recurring revenue component to our sales. We also believe that our portfolio of products is more diverse and expansive than those of other manufacturers of both firearms and ammunition based on the number of product categories in which we participate.

Our Defense Division is an active participant in the Law Enforcement, International Military, and U.S. Federal and Military markets for ammunition, shotgun, carbine, sniper rifle, and suppressor categories. We are one of the market leaders in the military sniper rifle and law enforcement shotgun markets and a major provider of service and training/duty use ammunition. Additionally, our work in shaping international requirements over the last 5 years resulted in contracts with the Republic of the Philippines for M4-type carbines that will support its domestic and regional security operations. We believe that our commitment to researching and developing creative new products with end user input, along with our commitment to providing the highest quality firearm solutions available for law enforcement and military customers provides an opportunity for attractive revenue diversification while reinforcing the strength of our brands with consumers.

By improving machinery and equipment in our manufacturing process and by leveraging new technologies, we believe that we can improve our quality and cost position. To that end, in 2015 we invested \$44.9 million in capital equipment for new product innovation and maintenance projects.

We currently manufacture our products in eight primary facilities with an aggregate 2.6 million square feet of manufacturing space, enabling us to deliver our products in the U.S. and globally to approximately 55 countries. The majority of our revenue is derived from three key firearms facilities in Ilion, New York, Huntsville, Alabama and Mayfield, Kentucky and our primary ammunition plant in Lonoke, Arkansas. We are continuously evaluating options to improve our competitive position in manufacturing through investments in equipment, facilities and best practices which also contribute to improvements in gross margin. In 2014, we undertook an expansion at our Lonoke ammunition factory. This production facility, which came on-line in the second half of 2014 and is fully operational, has significantly expanded our centerfire pistol and revolver (“P&R”) ammunition capacity, enabling us to meet the industry-wide demand for these rounds. Our Huntsville facility became fully operational in 2015. In addition to capacity expansions to meet demand, our capital investment program is also key to our margin improvement initiative, as new and more efficient machines enable us to realize lower manufacturing costs.

Our History and Corporate Structure

Remington Outdoor Company is a holding company currently controlled by Cerberus Capital Management (“CCM”). Our predecessor company, Bushmaster Firearms International, LLC, was created in 2006 by CCM for the purpose of acquiring the business of Bushmaster Firearms, Inc., which subsequently merged with Remington Arms Company, Inc. on December 12, 2007, creating Freedom Group, Inc., which was subsequently renamed Remington Outdoor Company.

Our Market Opportunity

We compete in multiple marketplaces for firearms, ammunition and related accessories. End-user markets include U.S. and international consumers, such as sportsmen, hunters, recreational shooters, and individuals desiring personal protection, police departments, the U.S. Military and allied foreign governments. The total size of the domestic commercial market for firearms was approximately \$3.8 billion in 2014 according to Federal Excise Tax data. Through our broad portfolio of brands, we are active in many growth segments of the firearms industry, which helped us achieve the #1 market position in 2014 in many of the categories in which we compete. We are also a leading provider of ammunition, which had a total domestic commercial market of approximately \$2.7 billion in 2014, holding the #3 position overall in 2014. According to the National Shooting Sports Foundation (“NSSF”), domestic consumer long gun sales (based on Federal Excise Tax data) have grown at a 14.5% CAGR from 2010 through 2014 while handgun sales have grown at a 14.0% CAGR from 2010 through 2014. We believe we are the largest producer of commercial MSRs, a market that has grown at a 28% CAGR from 2010 through 2014. Further, the NSSF estimates that domestic consumer ammunition sales grew at a 15.9% CAGR from 2010 to 2014.

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1 extent it is referred to as a division at any point, just
2 let me know.

3 A Okay.

4 Q Can you walk me through -- we do have org charts
5 that we will get to later, but it's -- we have a large file
6 of org charts, but can you just walk me through your
7 recollection of the departments that were in old
8 Bushmaster?

9 MR. VOGTS: Feel free to refer to documents if
10 you need to.

11 A In the old Bushmaster, okay, there is --

12 MR. VOGTS: The question is what departments were
13 there within the company.

14 A Okay. Within the company of the old Bushmaster,
15 we had the accounting department, we had the sales
16 department, production department, shipping departments and
17 warehouse department. Those are the ones that I --

18 Q Do you know if there --

19 A Excuse me.

20 Q Sorry.

21 A Those are the ones that I recall.

22 Q And do you recall if old Bushmaster had a
23 marketing or an advertising department?

24 A We had an individual that wasn't really put into
25 the department. He did graphics. It was a graphics

1 department. He did -- he did our photography.

2 Q Would he -- and what's the name of this
3 individual?

4 A Jonathan Clark.

5 Q And you mention him here. Would he have been in
6 charge of any advertisements or catalogs?

7 A Yes.

8 Q Would it have been advertisements and catalogs or
9 just one or the other?

10 A Both.

11 Q Did he have any employees working under him?

12 A No.

13 Q And where -- who would he have reported to, would
14 he have reported to one of the managers of the departments
15 you listed or would he have just reported directly to the
16 senior most manager?

17 A Yeah, he would have reported to John DeSantis at
18 that time.

19 Q Okay. All right. Do you know if there was a
20 compliance department?

21 A Yes.

22 Q This is the old Bushmaster.

23 And how many individuals approximately would you
24 say worked in that department?

25 A As I recall, two.

1 department for approval of the advertisements?

2 A Yes, he would.

3 Q And do you recall who in the sales department
4 would have been responsible for that approval?

5 A That would be me.

6 Q All right. So let's talk a little bit about the
7 departments following the acquisition by Cerberus. Do you
8 recall if there was any consolidation or reorganization of
9 the existing departments? We will first talk about in the
10 immediate aftermath of acquisition.

11 MR. VOGTS: And the question was was there any
12 consolidation of departments immediately after the
13 acquisition?

14 MR. SCHUTTE: That's correct, so any
15 consolidation or reconfiguration of the departments that we
16 just walked through.

17 A No.

18 Q Do you recall if there -- at any point between the
19 time of acquisition through the closure of the Windham
20 operations, were there any consolidations or
21 reorganizations of the departments in Bushmaster?

22 A Yes.

23 Q And what do you recall were those changes in
24 departments?

25 A My recollection, I believe it was 2007 that the

1 marketing function was moved down to Remington in North
2 Carolina and John Clark had left the company, so --

3 Q And did Mr. Clark leave because of that
4 reconfiguration or had he left prior to it?

5 A No, he left after the reconfiguration.

6 Q Do you recall if he was let go because of the
7 reconfiguration?

8 A No, actually, he -- as I recall, he was ready to
9 retire.

10 Q All right. So from 2007 onwards, is it your
11 recollection that marketing and advertisement for -- for
12 Bushmaster were handled by Remington?

13 A Yes.

14 Q Do you recall who the marketing and advertising
15 employees at Remington reported to at Bushmaster?

16 A Reported to at Bushmaster. In that timeframe, it
17 would have been Scott Blackwell.

18 Q Okay. And I know we talked about compliance and
19 legal before. Do you recall if there was a -- a compliance
20 function at Bushmaster following acquisition?

21 A When you say compliance, is that in the human
22 resource function or -- because we had two definitions of
23 compliance because you have ATF compliance and then you
24 have HR and legal compliance is how we looked at it back
25 then.

1 Q Did you ever -- did you ever work in -- well,
2 first of all, old Bushmaster is what we were referring to
3 as preacquisition Bushmaster?

4 A Right.

5 Q And old Bushmaster had a small marketing
6 department so to speak or no?

7 A Boy, it was -- the old Bushmaster is just one
8 person that would handle getting catalogs printed and all
9 that type of stuff that we had at the time, flyers, you
10 know.

11 Q And that was really true throughout the time
12 until -- until the acquisition essentially, right, a small
13 marketing person, I guess, person or two that would do
14 catalogs, but not much beyond -- no Internet, no social
15 media, things like that?

16 A Yeah, not -- no, not at that time, not the old
17 Bushmaster. We were just -- we were just starting on
18 social media and was doing very little at that time.

19 Q Did you -- in old Bushmaster days, did you do
20 any -- do you recall doing any social media at all?

21 A I don't recall. I didn't personally.

22 Q One of the things I want to do in this deposition
23 is just to be very clear about how much involvement if any
24 you had in any of the marketing as time went on because of
25 course that's a very big part of our focus, so part of it

1 funds for my sales programs.

2 Q And, let's see, can you describe -- because the
3 term sales and marketing sometimes look a lot like each
4 other and they are referred to in the same kind of sentence
5 as being related, but I -- it sounds like in old
6 Bushmaster, there was sort of this -- there was not a clear
7 delineation and that the marketing was very basic
8 old-fashioned marketing; is that true?

9 A Yes, that's correct.

10 Q And that the acquisition by Cerberus sometime
11 after that, the marketing became significantly more
12 expensive, more sophisticated and more specialized; is that
13 true?

14 A Yes, you know, I could tell just in the quality of
15 the photography, for example, it was professionally done as
16 opposed to just having us do it at the factory.

17 Q Is that right, so you -- did you have to pick up
18 the camera once in awhile and take a picture?

19 A Oh, yeah, yes, I did.

20 Q Were you yourself featured in any catalogs or --

21 A No.

22 Q No. All right. Well, you missed your
23 opportunity, I guess.

24 So -- so maybe just so that we have a record, how
25 would you describe I guess the -- in the post 2006 era

1 correct?

2 A We were just starting to, yep, just starting to
3 put a plan together on, you know, gathering more
4 information on what customer wants and needs were.

5 Q And that became increasingly more sophisticated
6 and expensive after the acquisition, is that fair to say?

7 A Yes.

8 Q And it involved a greater and greater expansion
9 into the on-line market, correct?

10 A That's correct.

11 Q And did you have any involvement in that part of
12 what is sort of -- there are some sales parts that I know
13 and there's marketing parts, but did you have involvement
14 in that up until the time you left Bushmaster?

15 A I had not much involvement on that side of it.

16 Q Now I brought up the name AR-15.com. It sounds
17 like I hit on the one -- on the big one. Were there other
18 websites prior to the acquisition that you can recall
19 promoting material or having or keeping track of -- and so
20 forth?

21 A Boy, that's -- AR-15.com is the primary because
22 it's specific to that style rifle, so I'm not aware of
23 other sites, but there may have been other sites, you know,
24 that Erik was tracking on or logging in and checking out
25 what conversations were going on.

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I, Lisa S. Bishop, RPR, RMR, a Notary Public in and for the State of Maine, hereby certify that the within-named deponent was sworn to testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, in the aforementioned cause of action.

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I further certify that I am a disinterested person in the event or outcome of the above-named cause of action.

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Lisa S. Bishop, RPR, RMR, Notary Public

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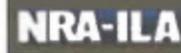


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Barrel Length: 16" including Suppressor [40.64 cm]

Rifling: 1 turn in 9" [22.8 cm] R.H. Twist / 6 grooves & lands

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Weight of empty magazine: .25 lbs [.11 kg]

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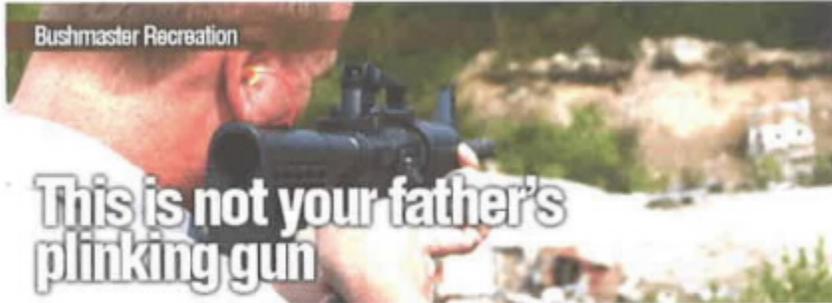
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COMPETITION SHOOTING TIPS

"When shooting in bright sunlight, seasoned High Power Competitors control any glare or reflection that might be coming off the front and rear iron sights by blackening them with a "chemical sight black" product, or a carbide lamp. Even the soot from a wax candle can do the trick - if its not too windy!"

THE BUSHMASTER CUP

Will your name be on the Bushmaster Cup?

This Prestigious Bushmaster Cup will be awarded to the individual with the highest overall shooting score of the Mountain Man Aggregate using a Factory Bushmaster Rifle. (factory trigger excluded) Mountain Man Aggregate is: Combined shooting score of: President's 100 Match, National Trophy Individual Match, and the National Trophy Team Matches. Bushmaster will be awarding two Cups: 1 to Top Junior, and 1 to the Overall Champion. CMP is accepting online registrations, and will have entry forms at the event registration building. [Register Here Online](#). [LEARN MORE](#)



JUNIOR CORNER



The NRA Advanced Junior Shooting Camp provide an excellent opportunity to hone your rifle shooting skills this summer. The camps feature lots of one-on-one coaching, daily physical training as well as important topics like rules, nutrition, mental focus, training plans and much more.

All camps are lead by top-level coaches who are members of the Coach Education Program National Coach Development Staff (NCDS). With a combined total of experience measured in hundreds of years, these coaches provide a level of training not available anywhere else in an environment that is challenging and fun at the same time. [FIND OUT MORE](#)

COMPETITION RESULTS

Bushmaster Cup Trophy Match at the 2007 Eastern U. S. Junior HighPower Clinic and Championship

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How Accurate is a Bushmaster?

We think we make a great "tool." To back up that belief, we thought we'd show you some targets that were sent in by writer/shooter Steve Malloy. [READ MORE](#)

Show Off Your Accuracy!

So how accurate is YOUR Bushmaster? That's up to you and your ammunition choice. Take one out and see what you can do with it! If you're proud of the results, send us your targets with all pertinent details (ammo, range, sights, conditions) - and we'll add them to our site.



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 - CMP Eastern Games & Creedmoor Cup
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 - Maine Mid Range Regional
June 12 - 13 Scarborough, ME
 - Eastern US Jr. High Power Rifle Clinic & Championship
June 24-28 Camp Butner, NC
 - Virginia Regional
July Quantico, VA
 - Maine Service Rifle Championship
July 10 Hampden, ME
 - Camp Perry National Matches
July 29 - August 17 Port Clinton, OH
 - CMP Western Games & Creedmoor Cup
October 16 - 24 Phoenix, AZ
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March 25-28 Mesa, AZ
 - Blue Ridge Mountain 3-Gun Championship
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 - Outbreak: Omega 3
April 24-25 St. Cloud, MN
 - Steel City Tactical Rifle Championship
May 29-30 Alabaster, AI
 - MGM Ironman 3-Gun
June 10 - 12 Parma, ID
 - Johnson 3-Gun
June 26 - 27 Pueblo West, CO
 - Rocky Mountain 3-Gun
August 5 - 7 Raton, NM
 - Tri Gun Challenge
August 20 - 22 St. Cloud, MN
 - USPSA Multi Gun Nationals
October 21 -24 Boulder City, NV
 - Ft. Benning 3-Gun Championship
December 2 - 5 Ft. Benning, GA

2010 CMP Competition Rulebook - Download a PDF copy of the rules [Here](#) 

BUSHMASTER SAFETY TIPS

Always keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction. Never point the muzzle at anything you do not intend to shoot.

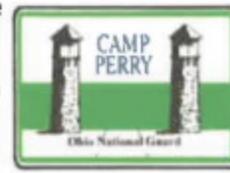
EDUCATION & TRAINING PROGRAMS
COACH EDUCATION PROGRAM**National Junior Shooting Camps**

National Junior Shooting Camps, conducted at ranges around the country, provide a high quality training opportunity to junior shooters in rifle, pistol and shotgun disciplines. Top-level coaches in the appropriate discipline provide top-quality training for the athletes.

The first level of camp is the Intermediate Camp for both rifle and pistol, held during the appropriate phase of the National Rifle and Pistol Championships at Camp Perry, Ohio during the summer months. NRA also conducts junior shooting camps at the advanced level for rifle, pistol and shotgun shooters. A competitive selection process determines attendees to the National Advanced Junior Shooting Camps.



This camp is held in conjunction with the National Matches. The camp is supported by the NRA as well as the CMP and the Ohio National Guard, which provide significant resources for a successful camp experience for the participants.



Junior Olympic Shooting Camps, hosted by USA Shooting and supported by the NRA and the Civilian Marksmanship Program, is the pinnacle program in the nation's shooting camp structure. This camp is a sponsored, invitation-only camp, conducted at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colorado, providing the highest-quality training opportunity available anywhere. The very best junior shooters in the country are invited to attend by the USA Shooting National Coach and will receive top-quality coaching and training at a world-class facility. Selection is mainly based on performance at the annual USA Shooting Junior Olympic Championships, but also demonstrated excellence in competition.

Athletes selected to attend this camp will have previously participated in other NRA, CMP, USA Shooting camps, programs, and matches, have positive attitudes and strong motivation. Selected athletes will be notified in late May.

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We want your feedback! Please let us know what you think about TFS. Do you have an interesting story or article that you would like to share? If so, please let us know!

Reader Comments:

Regarding the latest update, outstanding work again by the whole CMP crew! New or improved programs, expanded scholarships, new or improved facilities, new rifle and accessory offerings and the super relationships CMP has developed with the ONG and NRA leadership are shining examples of what can be done when one's heart is in the program. You all should be justifiably proud of how the program has progressed into its second century. Somewhere President Teddy Roosevelt has a big grin and is saying a hearty Bully for the CMP! Regards, LTC John F., USAR ret'd

I have truly enjoyed your Shooting Tips site. Even as a 25 yr veteran police sniper/high power shooter, I still find interesting, and useful tips from the successful younger folks coming up through the military, and law enforcement. Keep up the good work! Det. Tim R.

Wow! Please forward my thanks to everyone responsible for all the improvements I just read

Junior Highpower Shooters Learn Marksmanship the Marine Corps Way

By Steve Cooper, CMP Writer



CAMP PERRY, OHIO – Sometimes folks need an invigorating splash of cold water in the face followed by a warm towel to wake up and see things that really matter in life and, in the case of 146 junior shooters, learning marksmanship the Marine Corps way.



Highly-animated, retired Marine Master Gunnery Sergeant Ken Roxburgh and his team of Marine and Team Bushmaster shooting instructors challenged the 2008 USMC Junior High Power Clinic class with plenty of topics, ranging from determining proper eye relief to when not to nod off in class.

Enter the cold water...

After the classroom portion of the clinic, junior shooters were paired with USMC Service Rifle Coaches on the Range for additional instruction.

"You will not disrespect your instructors or your classmates by closing your eyes during this clinic,"

Roxburgh barked out to students gathered in the Camp Perry clubhouse conference room during the clinic's first session.

"If you need to take a break and collect yourself, there's the door,"

about at Camp Perry. Recent years have included quite a few impressive improvements and it looks like there are more this year. The Air Gun range, bath house at RV Park, Bataan Armory remodel, etc are all great. Just letting you know how much we (competitors) appreciate all the work.
Sincerely...
Grayson P.

CMP Shooters' News is one of my favorite email news publications. Information packed, talented authors, timely subjects, and all around well done. What a great service you are providing to the shooting community. Just wanted to say thanks and Merry Christmas. Newt E.

I enjoy and look forward to TFS and the excellent articles that are published on a regular basis. Please keep this publication coming and keep the CMP active.
Don M.

One of the members at Snipers Hide pointed out the newsletter and the High Power Tips articles by the USAMU team.
Damn you! I was up until 1:00 AM last night reading all of the articles. Great newsletter and really great USAMU articles.
Thanks,
Michael E.

Great article written on physical conditioning in the latest TFS. I was one of likely many who had asked about the type of conditioning recommended for serious shooters. Sgt. Craig did a great job on describing the routines. Now it's my turn to put it to work.
Thanks to you, Sgt. Craig and other contributors who share best practices of shooting excellence.
Sincerely,
Keith H.

I use these articles in our high power clinics and have found them very helpful for both new shooters and reinforcement of the basics for the more experienced.
Thanks, Gary M.

Thanks for the great articles on the Carbine, Springfield, Garand matches. All the articles are interesting, but the Carbine, Springfield & Garand are my favorites.
Jim H.

The September-07 on line shooting tips by SSG Tobie Tomlinson, USAMU Service Rifle Team Member, is a great article. I have reproduced 15 copies of it to hand out and discuss to our "newbie" first year air rifle shooters on our high school JROTC Air Rifle Team. Come to think about it believe I'll hand out a copy to my advance shooters as well. His explanations are simple to understand but rich in detail. Coupled with the sight pictures this article will go a long way towards helping all our JROTC shooters obtain better sight patterns. Keep up the great work. AND.....keep the articles like this coming.

he said, as the room fell eerily silent.

Then the warm towel...

"Then again," he continued, "if a shooter is having difficulty acquiring proper eye relief, perhaps he spent a little too much time with his good friend Jose Cuervo the night before," Roxburgh followed, as the class erupted in laughter and collectively regained normal sinus rhythm.

"As we teach marksmanship, we try to develop an air of importance," he said.

"At the same time I like to try to joke around with them a little. If you don't show a side of you that's approachable, you're not going to be a good instructor and a good instructor communicates well," Roxburgh said.

Such was the tone for the remainder of in-class and range instruction for junior shooters who qualified for the clinic by having fired in previous competition or at minimum, completed the rifle Small Arms Firing School.



Students were given a 25 question exam during the clinic before heading to the range for additional instruction and firing exercises.

The clinic ran Friday, 25 July, through Sunday, 27 July, and focused on the key elements of range safety and etiquette, shooting position, aiming, trigger control, zeroing, effects of weather and proper use of the data book and the loop sling. Days two and three were spent shooting on the range firing at 200, 300 and 600 yards.

Roxburgh emphasized the science of shooting, spending considerable time explaining the physiology of sight, the physical requirements off-hand shooting and the control of respiration and heart rate as it relates to firing the shot and "allowing the hammer to fall as a surprise."



"I like it," said Brett RaVell, 17, of Odenton, Maryland. "He's interesting, funny and amusing," he said about instructor Roxburgh. A high school senior, RaVell said he learned a great deal more about wind reading and shooting positions.

The first-time clinic participant, who has shot smallbore rifle in the past, has been shooting high power for two years and is serving his first year of competition on the Maryland State Rifle Team.

David Marrs, 17 of Fluvanna,

Malcolm V.
CW2 (R), US Army

Brett RaVell, a member of the Maryland State Rifle Team, attended the Junior Highpower Clinic.

Virginia who has been "shooting ever since I was big enough to hold a rifle," said the clinic taught him a lot about position and use of the data book.

"He's very animated," Jacob Neri, 16, of Stockbridge, Georgia, said about Roxburgh. "He grabs the attention of who he's talking to and he obviously knows what he's talking about."

"Shooting here was a very, very weird experience for me because of the wind," he said. Neri is accustomed to shooting on closed ranges where wind is not normally a factor.

An accomplished scholastic wrestler, Neri is considering a career in the Marine Corps.

For Taylor Grissom, 14, of Grand Rapids, Michigan and member of the Chief Okemos Gun Club, the clinic experience promises to improve his hold, positions and ultimately his scores.

"I'm really glad to have so many famous shooters here to help," he said.

Roxburgh's style of instruction brings a give-and-take mixture of education, discipline, humor and mutual respect – all key elements needed to communicate with young adults.



Sgt Arin Preston, USMC, teaches the proper sitting position during the Clinic.

He's been a lead instructor in the USMC HP Junior Clinic many different years since its inception in 1981, having retired from active duty in 2005 after 30 years of service to the Corps - most notably as a sniper instructor. Distinguished in both service pistol and rifle, Roxburgh was a member of the USMC rifle and pistol teams and a team coach as the Non-Commissioned Officer In Charge (NCOIC).

"What we really try to teach is safe weapons handling as it relates to fundamental marksmanship and match participation. We have to have a great measure of self-discipline and the ability to follow appropriate orders and regulations given by the people that run these matches."

Roxburgh, 53, a resident of Stafford, Virginia, just down the road from the Marine Corps Base at Quantico, Virginia is adamant about sharing his knowledge.

"Some successful competitors don't want to communicate their knowledge. Some just want to sell it, and I think that's wrong.

"The way I look at it is if I teach you well enough to beat me, then I did my job."

Today Roxburgh is an operations manager for Cerberus Capital Management, LC, an investment company which over time has acquired firearms manufacturers Bushmaster, Remington, DPMS Panther Arms and most recently, Marlin.

Cerberus acknowledged the value Roxburgh brings to the world of competitive shooting and has provided him the opportunity to continue his passion for instruction while serving as an ambassador for its firearms brands.

"I can't think of a much better activity for a young person to spend during the summer as participating in these matches. They come out here and they learn proper weapons safety; they learn how to handle a weapon; they learn the spirit of competition; and they learn to be ladies and gentlemen."

"You should always try to contribute to this competition. It's part of the thing that makes our country strong and free, and it makes our military strong and free," Roxburgh said.



The clinic concluded with a Pizza Party sponsored by Bushmaster Firearms, Inc. Students received a Certificate of Attendance and Clinic T-Shirt.

"Over the years guys like Lance Dement, Kyle Ward, Lance Hopper and many of the great national champions were juniors in our clinics. So I'm kinda proud to say that one time they were juniors and I was hollering *at them*.

"I hope it's not too far-fetched to think that some day one of these fine young people will be instructing this clinic," Roxburgh concluded.

Upon the clinic's completion, participants were recognized during a graduation ceremony and were treated to a pizza party, compliments of Bushmaster.

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